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ELIOT S. GERBER )  
Serial No. 08/797,985 )  
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For : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR )  
PREVENTING AUTO THEFTS )  
FROM PARKING AREAS )

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In reply to the Patent Office Action dated November 14, 1997, please amend the above-entitled application as follows:

In the Claims:

Cancel claims ~~13-17~~.

Remarks

I. MEHDIPOUR RELATES TO CHARGING FOR PARKING--NOT ANTI-THEFT

Mehdipour U.S. Patent 4,603,390 ("Mehdipour") discloses a system for charging fees for parking cars. His mention of "security purposes ... speed controls ... to prevent theft of motor vehicles ... detect stolen cars or cars with outstanding citations" (col. 1, lines 45-51) is without any disclosure as to how these functions would be accomplished. Indeed, "The system"